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Welcome to the September 2013 edition of the Radio HF Internet Newsletter. It’s hard to believe we’re into September already. The months just fly by so quickly. Sorry to be late again this month but there was very little input into the Newsletter by subscribers again this month. When that happens, it takes me substantially longer to track down enough material on my own to make the publication interesting for you. Hopefully with the fall upon us and winter not that far away, more of you may find a little more time available at your computer to track down a few sites that you might like to share with your fellow subscribers.

I’ve also had the chance to do a little bit more birdwatching over the last month or so. With family matters to attend to and then my surgery in July, there just wasn’t a lot of time available for me. Fortunately this time of year in my area the fall migration is underway so there are many interesting birds making their way through the Montreal area heading off to their winter homes in the south. Getting out into nature, doing lots of walking and taking in the fresh air has been great.

Our Monthly Special Zone for September features webpages on World Water Monitoring Day, International Day of Peace, World Maritime Day and National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

This month’s virtual voyage around the world, in the “Where in the World Zone”, takes us to the Caribbean, to the island nation of Grenada. Grenada is an island country and commonwealth realm consisting of the island of Grenada and six smaller islands at the southern end of the Grenadines in the southeastern Caribbean Sea. Grenada is located northwest of Trinidad and Tobago, northeast of Venezuela, and southwest of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

So, let’s get on to this month’s websites.

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No comments this month.

THE CONTRIBUTORS ZONE

Well it's just me and regular contributor Jerry Proc of Toronto who supplied websites for this edition of the Newsletter. Thanks to Jerry for his continued input and support. As for the rest of you receiving this free Newsletter each month…have we made you feel guilty yet??? Let's hope to see some input for the next issue.

Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Jerry Proc, Toronto, Ontario

THE MONTHLY SPECIAL ZONE

WORLD WATER MONITORING DAY

http://www.worldwatermonitoringday.org/

World Water Monitoring Challenge (WWMC) is an international education and outreach program that builds public awareness and involvement in protecting water resources around the world by engaging citizens to conduct basic monitoring of their local waterbodies.

WWMC grew out of the World Water Monitoring Day program in 2012. While an official "day" continues to be observed each year on September 18, the broader "challenge" encourages people everywhere to test the quality of their waterways, share their findings, and protect our most precious resource.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

http://www.un.org/en/events/peaceday/

Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21 September. The General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples.

WORLD MARITIME DAY

http://worldmaritimedayna.org/index.htm

Every year the International Maritime Organization celebrates World Maritime Day. The exact date is left to individual governments but is usually celebrated during the last week in September. The day is used to focus attention on the importance of shipping safety, maritime security and the marine environment and to emphasize a particular aspect of IMO's work.

2013 NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

http://www.pow-miafamilies.org/events/recognition-day/

It is anticipated that Friday, September 20, 2013, will be proclaimed by President Obama as National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Over the past several years, all or most of the 50 states have proclaimed POW/MIA Recognition Day in conjunction with the national effort. The League will ask each state to issue a proclamation, but we need your support! Please contact your Governor and ask for his/her support and a copy of your state’s proclamation.

THE SEPTEMBER ZONE

Each month we feature the monthly page from Wikipedia, the free, on-line encyclopedia. The page features an overview of the month, plus background and general information on the month itself. The actual monthly calendar, clickable day by day, gives a list of special events in history, famous birthdays, anniversaries, etc. for each day. Here is the link for the month of September.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/September

Also, here are some special days and events in September

MONTHLY CELEBRATIONS

National Menopause Awareness Month

National Organic Harvest Month

National Pain Awareness Month

National Preparedness Month

National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

National Yoga Month

WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS

9 – 15 National Suicide Prevention Week

15 – 21 National Rehabilitation Week

22 – 29 International Week of the Deaf

SPECIAL DAYS

2 – Labor Day

7 – National Threatened Species Day

8 – United Nations: International Literacy Day

18 – World Water Monitoring Day

20 – National POW/MIA Recognition Day

21 – World Alzheimer’s Day

21 – United Nations: International Day of Peace

26 – United Nations: World Maritime Day

27 – World Tourism Day

Source: Chase’s Calendar of Events 2013

2013 National Health Observances, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

2013 Calendar of Events, California Department of Education

2013 USDA Health Observances & Holidays

2013 United Nations Observances

VIA

http://ucanr.edu/sites/Spanish/Calendario/September_2011/

RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE #1

NEW FROM YAESU

FTM-400DR 144/430MHz Dual Band Digital Mobile Transceiver

2M/70CM Mobile Radio, GPS / APRS® / Bluetooth® enabled, V/D Mode, Voice FR Mode, Data FR Mode and Analog FM, Smart Navigation, Digital Group Monitor, 3.5 inch Full Color TFT and Advanced Touch-Panel Operation

A built-in 3.5-inch TFT full color touch panel high resolution display provides excellent operability and visibility. The icon symbols, multi-function key display and pop-up messages are all displayed in high-resolution color thanks to the full-color, high luminance TFT liquid crystal screen. The settings and status of the wireless devices are displayed in an easy-to-understand format. You can perform various function operations simply and easily by gently touching the screen. Even taking snapshots and immediately sending them over your FTM-400DR is easy! Simply connect an MH-85A11U (option) microphone with camera. Press the microphone shutter button to take snapshots, and then the image data can be displayed on the screen, and easily sent to other C4FM FDMA digital transceivers.
The most attractive benefit of digital communication is its ability to transfer large amounts of data. The new FTM-400DR uses 12.5 kHz C4FM FDMA digital modulation mode to enable high speed data communication handling capability and reliable voice communication with strong error correction performance.
The new FTM-400DR provides 4 modes, V/D mode, Voice FR mode, Data FR mode and Analog FM mode. It includes an Automatic Mode Select (AMS) function to identify these 4 modes and select them automatically when the radio receives a signal. We included additional features in the FTM-400DR to make it standard digital communication equipment for all Amateur Radio operators such as Smart Navigation and Digital Group Monitor using position data and ID data transmitting during communication.

More information will be forthcoming from Yaesu on this new radio in the near future. It should be available sometime later in September 2013. Watch the following Yaesu page for more details shortly.

http://yaesu.com/indexVS.cfm?cmd=DisplayProducts&ProdCatID=106&encProdID=227201D29C822AEFF8482F3367495319&DivisionID=65&isArchived=0

Yaesu products are available from Radio HF.

WHERE IN THE WORLD ZONE

THIS MONTH – GRENADA

C.I.A. WORLD FACTBOOK – GRENADA

https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/gj.html

WIKIPEDIA – GRENADA

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grenada

OFFICIAL WEBSITE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA

http://www.gov.gd/

The official web portal of the government of the island nation

GRENADA TOURISM SITE

http://www.grenadagrenadines.com/

Complete travel and vacation guide to Grenada, the Isle of Spice.

RADIO STATION WORLD – GRENADA

http://radiostationworld.com/Locations/Grenada/

This is a listing of radio services in the country.

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